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Date: Subject: Microsoft Settlement January 28, 2002

Ms. Renata Hesse Trial Attorney Department of Justice – Antitrust Division 601 D Street NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20530

Dear Ms. Hesse:

I am writing to urge your approval of the settlement of the *U.S. v. Microsoft* case. Microsoft has been a leader in innovative technology and has provided tremendous benefits for consumers. Prompt settlement of this case is in the best interest of consumers, our schools, and of our economy.

Technology can be a very powerful teaching tool. To prepare today's students to be tomorrow's leaders we must take every step to ensure that the technology is available to every student. A settlement such as this could assist less fortunate school districts in obtaining the technology necessary for quality education.

Over \$30 million in taxpayer money has been spent on this case. It is now time to put this matter behind us and move forward.

Sincerely,

Jim Kreuser, Assistant Assembly Democratic Leader State Representative 64th Assembly District